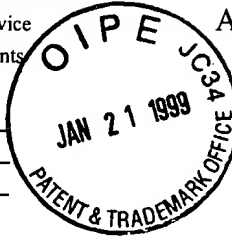


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In re application of:

Hans Boehringer et al.

Application No.: 08/812,616

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For: QUANTITATIVE LATERAL FLOW  
ASSAYS AND DEVICES

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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action, dated July 22, 1998 for 3 months, from October 22, 1998 to January 22, 1999. An appropriate response in the form of a Continuation Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$435.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in duplicate.

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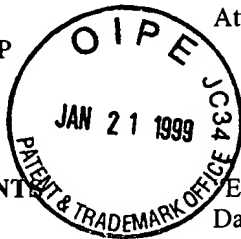
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This is a request under 37 CFR 1.53 (d) for filing a CPA ☒ Continuation ☐ Division of application  
No. 08/812,616, filed March 6, 1997, of Hans Boehringer et al.  
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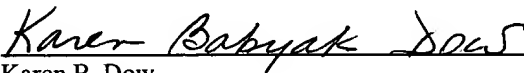
- ☒ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27 & 1.28 ☐ is enclosed ☒ was  
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- ☐ Please record the enclosed assignment to \_\_\_\_\_
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- ☐ Please enter the amendment under §1.116 dated \_\_\_\_\_ and unentered in the prior application.
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Applicant requests deferral of the filing fee until submission of the Missing Parts of Application.  
Do not charge the filing fee at this time.

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